Commonwealth of Virginia Fiscal Fundamentals

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- Authority: Appropriation Act § 4-2.03(a)
- References:
 - CAPP Manual
 - OMB Circulars A-21 and A-87
 - ASMB C-10

Indirect Cost Recovery

- What are indirect costs?
 - Indirect costs are expenditures incurred for a joint purpose that benefit more than one cost objective.
 - Indirect costs are divided between agency and statewide.

Statewide Indirect Cost Allocation Plan

- Identifies costs of central support services to agencies and institutions
- Allocates only General Fund support to agencies with federal programs
- OMB Circular A-87 is Federal guideline
- Net central service fixed costs included in agency indirect cost proposal
- Used only by those agencies that receive federal grants and contracts

Statewide Indirect Cost Allocation Plan

- Agencies and institutions recover indirect costs from federal government
- U. S. Department of Health and Human Services reviews and approves SICAP
- Auditor of Public Accounts reviews SICAP
- DOA posts SICAP on web after DHHS approval

Full Costing SICAP Objectives

- Identify costs of central support services to agencies and institutions
- Allocate General Fund support to nongeneral, nonfederal programs
- Those assessed have chance to comment on calculations
- Final Assessment Schedule in Appropriations Act "Transfers" section
- Reviewed and approved by DPB

DOA's ICR Role

- Prepare Federal and Full Costing SICAPs
- Monitor indirect cost recoveries monthly
- Prepare Indirect Cost section of the Quarterly Report
- Assist agencies
- Review year-end closing reconciliations
- Prepare year-end adjusting entries

Fiscal Officer's ICR Role

- Recover indirect costs if allowable
- Record indirect cost recoveries and transfer entries monthly
- Maintain adequate documentation to monitor indirect cost recovery
- Ensure that year-end balances are correct
- Complete year-end reconciliations of indirect cost recovery

ICR Internal Controls (1 of 3)

- Ensure unallowable costs are not charged to federal awards, directly or indirectly
- Review the agency organizational structure to determine the appropriate proposal methodology

Internal Controls for ICR (2 of 3)

- Prepare an indirect cost rate proposal or plan according to OMB circulars
- Ensure indirect cost rate proposal or plan is submitted, negotiated, and approved by cognizant agency in a timely manner
- Apply the approved indirect cost rate against grant awards

ICR Internal Controls (3 of 3)

- Correctly record timely indirect cost recoveries and transfer entries in CARS
- Retain work papers to support indirect cost rates or plans
- Maintain documentation concerning the restriction of indirect cost recovery from any grants or contracts

References (1 of 2)

- CAPP Manual <u>Topic 20705</u>, *Indirect Cost Recovery*
- Appropriation Act § 4-2.03(a)
- Statewide Indirect Cost Allocation Plan www.doa.virginia.gov/Financial_Reporting/SICAP/SICAP_Main.cfm
- DOA Directive 2-05, Attachment 24, *Direct Billed Central Services*www.doa.virginia.gov/Financial_Reporting/Directives/Directives_Main.cfm
- Office of Management and Budget, <u>Circular A-21</u>, Cost Principles for Educational Institutions, 05/10/04

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- Office of Management and Budget, <u>Circular A-87</u>, Cost Principles for State, Local, and Indian Tribal Governments, 05/10/04
- U. S. Department of Health and Human Services, <u>Cost Principles and Procedures</u> <u>for Developing Cost Allocation Plans and</u> <u>Indirect Cost Rates for Agreements with</u> <u>the Federal Government</u>, 04/08/97

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